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Third Fortnightly Crop Report 1926

Issued by the Department of Agriculture, Government of Alberta, May 17, 1926

Seeding of wheat is practically completed throughout the province and seeding of coarse grain is well advanced. Early sown wheat is well above the ground and looking healthy. Growing conditions generally throughout the province are excellent. The weather since last report has been generally cool and showery, with a few very warm days. Almost every part of the province has been visited by rain which has varied in extent from light showers in some districts to heavy downpours in others. Southern districts have received a fair amount of precipitation, and in spite of some soil drifting conditions in these districts at present are satisfactory. In the central and northern districts rain has been more general.

The outstanding comment to be made upon the situation at present is the fact that all growth in the province is much in advance of other years. Foliage appeared much earlier than has been known for a long time, and the completion of seeding has been recorded considerably earlier than former years. Early sown wheat is now several inches above ground in many districts and growing rapidly. More rain will be needed in some districts if this rapid growth is to be sustained, but at present conditions may be said to be quite satisfactory.

Cutworms are still active in some districts, but measures to control these have been generally effective.

Pasture generally is good and stock in splendid condition.

Latest reports show that the average increase in wheat a acre will be about 10 per cent. with practically the same in other grain crops. Forage crops in the south will show a big increase, and there is some increase in sugar beets, seeding of which is well advanced.

Rod and Gun for May

A wide variety of subjects in the field of the outdoors is covered in the May issue of Rod and Gun which has just been issued. In connection with the opening of the camping and fishing seasons, the current issue of the magazine contains a number of interesting articles which should prove of value to those planning to visit the woods or stream. The regular departments of fishing notes and outdoor talks carry articles appropriate to the season.

United Church Services During May

The services of the United Church during May will be as follows: Kindly note changes.

May 9th--2:30 Lake Bend; 7:30 Mirror.

May 16th--11 a.m. Alix; 2:30 Ripley; 7:30 Mirror.

May 23rd--2:30 Lake Bend; 7:30 Mirror.

May 30th--11 a.m. Alix; 2:30 Ripley; 7:30 Mirror.

Local Happenings

Keep in mind the 1st of July in Mirror.

W. C. McCormack is erecting another dwelling on Lake St.

Monday, the 24th of May, being a holiday, the business places in town will be closed.

All Institute members wishing to take the basketry course are asked to notify the secretary, Mrs. N. Spiece, before the 1st of June.

Councillor Walker and Mr. A. McCormack are the proud possessors of Essex and Chevrolet coaches, buying through local agents, C. McCormack and A. G. McNair.

Rev. Wood is in Edmonton this week attending the Conference of the United Church of Canada being held in McDougall Church.

The Oddfellows are holding their ninth annual dance on the evening of May 28th, when Bone's 5-piece orchestra will be present. This orchestra has been re-organized since the last appearance and is now second to none in Alberta.

Miss West, organizing nurse of the Red Cross for the Province of Alberta, met the ladies of the W. I. with the intention of starting a home nursing class in Mirror the first week of September. All interested can get further particulars from the secretary of this class, Mrs. H. S. Oldring.

Club Notes

The Tuxis Squares are meeting at the parsonage on Monday evenings and are making their plans for camp at Sylvan Lake in July. The Square is most enthusiastic in its program and is looking forward to Mr. Hendry, Boys' Work Secretary for Alberta, in the near future.

The T. R.'s are much interested in the Bird House competitions going on at present. A prize of \$10 is offered for the best bird house made individually by each member of the group.

The Beavers are learning the secrets of treasure hunts on Saturday mornings, and with their mentor, Mr. Wood, cover a large area in their search for the hidden clues and the concealed "treasure."

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WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD

The Belgian Senate has ratified the debt funding agreement with the United States.

Cardinal Bill, coadjutor of Cardinal Gasparri, papal secretary of state, is dead.

The Spanish Government has taken steps to support Poland in her claim for a permanent seat on the League of Nations Council.

Lithuania has asked the intervention of the League of Nations against Poland in connection with recent frontier incidents.

King Albert, of Belgium, will preside over the opening session of the International Rotary Club at Oxford, in June. Seven thousand Rotarians are expected to attend.

King Fuad has accepted an invitation from King George to visit London. He hopes to make the trip early in June after the opening of the Egyptian Parliament.

Henderson has been barred from Madrid halllights. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals obtained this ruling from the mayor, who is a lover of horses.

Commander Franco, who brought fame and glory to his country by his epistolary fight from Spain to Argentina, returned to Spain, with his flying companions, aboard a warship.

A proposal to repudiate Belgium's foreign debts contracted before the armistice, and to pay post-armistice debts on the rate of the Dawes plan receipts from Germany, was introduced in parliament by Senator Charles Maguette.

The driftable Norge, with which Roald Amundsen plans to journey to the North Pole, has carried out a successful eight-hour trial flight over Rome. The blimp, carrying thirty persons, circled over Rome several times.

Dr. Henry Spallenger, who claims to have discovered a method for curing tuberculosis in man and beast, is recuperating on the Riviera from an illness believed to have been due to breathing tubercle bacilli in his Geneva laboratory, says a dispatch.

The four Australian wheat pools have invited the Canadian wheat pools to send a delegation to Australia in August. J. M. McDonald, of Adelaide, South Australia, says that following the conference at St. Paul, Minn., he decided that the Canadian and Australian wheat pools could work together.

Repudiates Fascist Government

Pope Denies Mussolini's Right to Enact Ecclesiastical Reform Laws

Pope Pius has repudiated the Fascist Government's right to enact ecclesiastical reform legislation. During recent months there have been persistent rumors that an accord between Mussolini and the Vatican was in the making, but the Pope's repudiation, contained in a letter to Cardinal Gasparri, indicates that reports of compromise on the part of the church were without foundation. His holiness addressed Gasparri regarding ecclesiastical legislation, which soon is to be introduced by the government. The Pope remarks that several religious experts have been invited by the government to participate in drafting the laws.

"The fact that clerical experts have been invited may cause the belief that it is done in agreement with the Holy See," wrote the Pope, "but no agreement exists and these experts have received no mandate from us."

"Regarding legislation which belongs to the sacred power of God," wrote the Pope, "we declare that on such subjects we cannot recognize in others any rights to legislate unless through convenient negotiations and legitimate agreements with us."

"No suitable negotiations nor legitimate agreement can, or will, occur so long as the iniquitous conditions imposed upon the Holy See and Roman pontiff exist."

Unto the End

"By the way," said the lawyer who was drawing up the will, "I notice that you named six bankers to be your executors. Wouldn't you rather choose some friends with whom you are on better terms?"

"No; that's all right," was the quick reply. "Those fellows have carried me so long they might as well finish the job."—Boston Transcript.

Another Game Reserve

Hon. J. E. Forrester, minister of colonization, mines and fisheries, has brought in a measure to provide that the Island of Anticosti in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, shall on proclamation become a protected reserve for the acclimatizing, breeding and conserving of all kinds of fish and game.

Was Nephew Of Livingstone

Relative of Famous Explorer Dies in Ninety-First Year

Another link relating the great African explorer, Dr. David Livingstone, to the present century was severed with the death at his residence, 68 Queen's Drive, Weston, Ont., of Neil Mackenzie Livingstone, his eldest nephew.

The late Mr. Livingstone was in his 91st year and was, therefore, in early manhood when the exploits of his famous uncle were on everybody's lips. In 1871, when Stanley was leading his relief expedition into the heart of Africa, deceased was thirty-six years of age, and along with the rest of the world was awaiting eagerly the dispatches announcing progress. Two years later news came of the explorer's death in Africa, although his journals were saved and given to the world.

Has To Abandon Plan

Snow Motor Not Feasible For Hauling Supplies For Polar Expedition

The attempt of Alexander M. Smith, to haul supplies for the Wilkins' trans-Polar expedition to Pelet Barrow by snow motor has been called off by Captain George H. Wilkins.

Smith started from Nome, near Fairbanks, Alaska, with 15 tons of gasoline and supplies on ten sledges. The two snow motors used to haul the sledges have broken down repeatedly and have been able to negotiate only 70 miles in two weeks of the 70-mile trail to Pelet Barrow in time to be of assistance to the flights. Wilkins said.

The explorer believes the local aviation field can be enlarged sufficiently to permit the large monoplanes of the expedition to take off when fully loaded.

Colony Of Hungarian Nobility

Several Titled Hungarian Families Take Up Land in Manitoba

As a result of the efforts of the Canadian Colonization Association, a colony of Hungarian nobility is being established in Manitoba. In 1915, after the confiscation of their estates in Transylvania, Julius von Plessenk de Zoolna, colonel of the Imperial Hungarian Hussars, and Count Gessa Pacifici, came out to Western Canada under the auspices of the Canadian Pacific Railway and secured several hundred acres near Haxton, Manitoba, which they have developed into a first rate dairy farm. Three additional families of the Hungarian nobility joined them shortly afterwards and now Count Bela Szapary, of Budapest, has secured an adjoining farm.

A New Oil Industry

Rattlesnake Oil Used in Medicine Brings Mexicans \$100 a Gallon

Rattlesnake oil at \$100 a gallon has brought a new industry to Texas. Ciesco long has been known as an oil centre, but this is an entirely new phase of the business. The oil is used in medicine.

This is the time for harvesting the rattlesnakes crop because the rattlesnakes are dormant. A keen eye and a quantity of dynamite are required. Search is made among the hills for a den of rattlesnakes. The den is dynamited and the snakes are brought out. They are then rendered into oil.

One snake produces only a small quantity, but sometimes several hundred snakes are found in one den.

Would Be Unusual Case

Motorist Alleges Inscription On Boy's Tombstone Is Libelous

Can a tombstone inscription be libelous? Blanche Belcher, of Litchfield, Ill., may put the question up to a jury if she decides to bring suit against the relatives of a six-year-old boy who was killed when he ran in front of her automobile.

The inscription on the boy's tombstone reads: "Lester Burtel, killed by Blanche Belcher, Oct. 2, 1915."

Miss Belcher is threatening to bring suit on the ground that the epitaph is libelous. A coroner's jury exonerated her of all blame for the little boy's death.

Is a Lie Ever Justified

Yes, when it redeems a state of things worse than itself.

A doctor often has to deceive his patients in order to save their lives. If I tell a woman that a woman with the infant to kill her, and he asked me the way she had gone, I should feel justified in misdirecting him.

Other instances will suggest themselves, such as Herod, the murderer of John the Baptist, who would not kill him but would kill.

Yet these extraordinary cases only show the paramount necessity of telling the truth.—Rev. D. S. Farber, Canadian.

New Lieut.-Governor of B. C.



His Honor Robert Randolph Bruce, whose appointment as Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia was announced while he was in England. He arrived in Canada on board the Canadian Pacific steamer Montrose, and proceeded at once to his home at Windermere, B.C.

Germany's Industrial Situation

People Recovering From Poverty Endure Since the War

I have been hearing a good deal about the inside of Germany, and learn that Sir Philip Dawson, M.P., is shortly publishing a work on its industrial situation. No Englishman can better estimate it. At last the middle-class—their in the professional and medical men and their families—for the first time are beginning a little to recover from the terrible poverty they have endured since the war.

Everybody works hard, but there is a great shortage of capital, and immense tracts of land are to be made to obtain it, if not from private investors, at least from American and English bankers. One authority assumes that Prussianism is killed by the war, and that there is no likelihood towards the English. The hatred of the French is intense. During the occupation of the Ruhr, the French displayed the same tactlessness which has made them such a failure as a colonizing power.—Liverpool Weekly Post.



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Adapted to the girl of six to fourteen years of age, this smart costume is such a new feature as the ruffled sleeve cut at the shoulder, and interesting the collar. There is a slight fullness at the shoulders in front, and embroidered patch pockets protect their usefulness. The circular skirt is in two pieces, and attached to the bodice at the low waist-line. The collar is convertible and may be worn turned back with the long tie ends up, or tied lower down. No. 1259 is in sizes, 8, 10, 12, and 14 years. Size 10 years requires 3 1/2 yards 16 inch, or 2 1/2 yards 54-inch material. Price of the book 10 cents the copy.

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What is Doing in the World of Radio

An epidemic from corporation counsel in Chicago holds that operation of radio loud speaker late at night is disorderly conduct.

The radio crystal receiving set, which confines reception mainly to the nearest broadcasting station, still is the predominant type used in the British Isles.

The newest and most powerful radio broadcasting station in Northern Alberta is being erected in King Edward Park, Edmonton, by the International Bible Students' Association.

Mayor Mitchell of Windsor, is sponsoring a novel plan for the entertainment of patrons of the principal Windsor parks this summer. He proposes to have installed radio sets with amplifiers. The possibilities are endless and the cost low, the mayor says.

Two-way radiophone conversations across the Atlantic with England reached a high point of perfection recently, officials of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company of New York reported. Amateur listeners heard the conversation on 12,000 metre wave lengths both ways.

A new record for amateur radio communication is believed to have been established by a Vancouver amateur, Earl Chang, when Mr. Chang was in communication with a ship lying in Discovery Inlet, Antarctic Ocean, a distance of more than 10,000 miles. Chang, a Vancouver, for more than fifty miles.

As pastor of the world's only aerial cathedral, which has no longer length, breadth or thickness, and is without site or location or halo of any kind, Rev. Paul Rader, of Chicago, numbers his congregation by the tens of thousands. Rader is the National Radio Chapter there and every Sunday he conducts day-long services over station WIT, which is under contract for 10 years for this purpose.

Woman Leaves Three

Millions For Animals

English Lady Will Donate For Bettering Their Condition

Her love for animals led an English lady, Mrs. S. M. Grove-Kent, of London, to leave practically her whole fortune of over \$300,000 for the betterment of the condition of animals.

Her bequest included \$250,000 to the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals.

\$150,000 to the R.S.P.C.A., on condition that the chairman and members of committees shall be anti-vivisectionists and opposed to sports involving the death of stag, deer, fox, hare, rabbit or any bird, fish or any other animal; and shall use every means to abolish such sports.

\$30,000 to the Anti-Vivisection Hospital, Battersea.

After various other bequests, the residue of her property is left on trust for founding a society for opposing sport and protecting animals.

She abhorred hunting and kindred sports, and was strong in her denunciation of those who spent hours in harrying a fox or a stag to death. The wasteful destruction of game as a means of sport was also among her pet abominations.

The legacy of \$50,000 to the R.S.P.C.A., the governors were compelled to decline on account of conditions attached to the bequest.

Those who knew the deceased, described her as "A charming little old lady, with a mid-Victorian atmosphere about her. Her large fortune was inherited, and came from the woolen trade."

Canada's Electric

Power Development

Holds Second Position Among Nations Of the World in Amount of Energy Developed

Canada now leads the world in the generation of electric power per capita according to the latest statistics available, having a per capita generation of 278 kw. hours. Switzerland comes next with 246 and United States third with 244. The total installation of electric power in Canada is 8,099,192,600 kw. hours, which places Canada in second position among the nations of the world in regard to power developed.

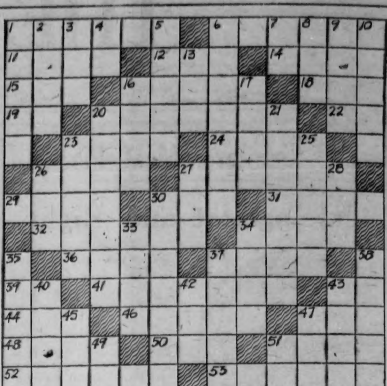
Buy Famous Blacksmith Shop

The old Caleb Tait blacksmith shop, situated in the Chestnut Hill district, near Vancouver, by Tomlinson & Co. "The Village Blacksmith Shop," has been purchased by Henry Ford.

It is a plan of Mr. Ford that the building shall be added to his collection of buildings and objects of historical interest in the vicinity of Wayne Inn, Sackville.

From the bachelor's viewpoint, marriage is a failure because he fails to marry.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Horizontal

- 1—Property.
- 2—Being away.
- 3—Carriage.
- 4—Indian.
- 5—Grab.
- 6—Musical instrument.
- 7—Suffice meaning being sufficient to.
- 8—To ask to.
- 9—A case of wood.
- 10—Towards.
- 11—One who speeds.
- 12—A constant laborer.
- 13—Identical.
- 14—Heavenly body.
- 15—Covers with ice.
- 16—To come late to visit.
- 17—Filling an inkwell.
- 18—City.
- 19—A meadow (prov. Eng.).
- 20—To shut close.
- 21—Tans over.
- 22—Employs.
- 23—A recommended guide for conduct.
- 24—To make inefficient.
- 25—A base.
- 26—A small, loosely.

Vertical

- 1—Gives forth.
- 2—A store pit for green fodder.
- 3—Small round.
- 4—Article.
- 5—Come in.
- 6—Dynamiting.
- 7—In such manner.
- 8—Recede.
- 9—Midday.
- 10—A state.

- 11—Part of verb "to be."
- 12—Ning Hing.
- 13—One-quarter of a bushel.
- 14—A layer.
- 15—To have again.
- 16—More sore.
- 17—To show content.
- 18—To shut out.
- 19—Insurance (abbr.).
- 20—Aniform (abbr.).
- 21—Suggesting.
- 22—An explanation expressive of sorrow.
- 23—Bone of the forearm.
- 24—Discovered.
- 25—The lower part of a ship's under water body.
- 26—A measure of length.
- 27—Mr.
- 28—A card game.
- 29—A note.
- 30—Self.
- 31—Small rug.
- 32—House of Lords (abbr.).
- 33—7th musical note.

A Stabilized Easter

Fixed Date May Be Neater

Easter falls this year on April 4.

This makes February 17th Ash Wednesday.

The great Christian festival comes in 1926 about midway between the earliest and latest dates on which it may occur—March 25 and April 25.

Previously the Vatican authorities contemplated establishment of a fixed date for Easter. Should they do this it is practically certain that all western Christians would accept the day so fixed, and since the eastern Christians have generally adopted the Gregorian calendar they would be likely to do the same. However, as the church authorities of 1552 discussed seriously the establishment of Easter as a fixed feast this reform may be postponed a few years longer without causing surprise.

In the agitation for revision of the calendar, ecclesiastical usage plays a highly important part, yet the inconvenience of maintaining independent church and secular calendars is obvious, and with scientists, churches and business men generally agreed that a simpler calendar is desirable the installation of a fixed Easter may be appreciably nearer—New York Sun.

An Expensive Business

Photographing Eclipse of Sun Cost \$30,000 a Minute

Photographing the total eclipse of the sun at an approximate cost of \$30,000 a minute was the experience enjoyed by three prominent passengers on the C.P.R. transatlantic Empress of Russia which docked at Vancouver recently from the Orient.

The scientists, Captain L. Domineck, of Yale University, and two Harvard astronomical students, Wilson Powell and Adrian Rubel, are members of the Swathmore College expedition who journeyed to the island of Sumatra to photograph the latest eclipse of January 14.

On the results of these photographs taken under the direction of Dr. J. A. Miller, well-known American astronomer, hangs the fate of the Einstein theory, Captain Domineck explained.

The plates which were sent to New York will be developed at the Swathmore laboratories, Philadelphia, and the successes or failures of the photographs should be known in about two months time.

Old Letter Discovered

Painted On Silk and Contains 13,000 Chinese Characters

With tragic history attached to it, an old letter has been presented to the Pope by the Vicar Apostolic of Seoul.

The letter is painted on silk and contains 13,000 Chinese characters. It was written in 1861 to the Bishop of Peking suggesting plans to save the persecuted Church in Korea. It was intercepted by the police, and both writer and bearer were arrested and killed. Missionaries in China recovered the letter about thirty years ago when the police archives were dispersed.

Change in Direction

Of Japanese Current

Earthquakes Three Years Ago Believed To Be Responsible

The Japanese Current, which is believed to have somewhat changed its course since an earthquake in Japan in 1923, is forcing fish in Alaska to find new havens, declared a herring fleet operator of Douglas, Alaska. "It is generally believed among Alaskans that the earthquake caused a change in the direction of the Japanese current. This winter, for the first time since 1923, there has not been any snow. Days are sunny, with the temperature ranging around 45 and 50 degrees."

Soviets Will Not Enter Switzerland

Russia Declined to Participate in the International Radio Conference to Be Held Under the Auspices of the League of Nations, March 25.

Russian reply to the conference reads: "We are much interested in the conference, but cannot participate unless it is held outside of Switzerland, because Switzerland has been boycotted by the Soviet Government since the murder of M. Vorovsky."

Saving Huge Sums

The secretary of the Dominion fuel board, C. D. Hotchkiss, has pointed out that the importation of American hard coal is on the decline. In 1924, Canada imported around 3,600,000 tons and in 1925 the importation had fallen to 2,600,000 tons. So Canada is saving huge sums of money by being forced to look for some substitute for anthracite.—Kingston Standard.

Good Honey Customers

Last year the honey sent from Canada to the Netherlands amounted to 262,000 pounds, having a value of \$25,430—a very substantial increase over the returns for the preceding year. The Hollenders are certainly Canada's second best customers as regards honey.

In the straits of Florida the gulf stream is 32 miles wide.

Fur Farming Industry In All Its Branches Is Now Firmly Established In Canada

Whatever doubts may have been entertained during the first experimental years regarding the future of fur farming in Canada have long been dispelled. The industry is now firmly established, has branched out into various directions since the breeding of the fox was undertaken. According to the Dominion bureau of statistics in 1921, the number of fur farms in operation in Canada totalled 1,559, of which 1,469 were devoted to raising foxes and 81 to other fur-bearing animals. Compared with 1922 the number of fur farms had increased by 322; fox farms by 287, and other farms by 35, the former reported. In his latest report the director of agriculture records a further decided increase in the farms raising fur-bearing animals other than foxes. Nine ranches are raising beavers; eleven have taken up fishers; nineteen, martens; thirty-two, mink; two, lynx; four, blue foxes, twelve, muskrats; forty-four, raccoons; four, coyotes; sixty, muskrats; and at least, twenty, rabbits. He adds that the department is constantly receiving inquiries for information regarding the raising of various kinds of fur-bearing animals, with particular reference to muskrats, mink and chinchilla rabbits.

The value of these farms, including land, buildings, fixtures and animals aggregated \$10,666,420 in 1924, omitting muskrat and beaver farms, whose operators could not furnish exact statistics relating to their animals. Since in that year Canada had only one muskrat farm, two beaver and three raising muskrat and beaver, the expansion in other than fox farms during 1925 has been remarkable when the figures for 1924 and 1925 are compared. As regards the distribution of the farms in 1924, the director reports: Edward Island, 37 per cent.; Ontario, 16; Quebec, 12; New Brunswick, 5; Manitoba, 3; Alberta, 6; Nova Scotia, 6; British Columbia, 3; Saskatchewan, 2, and Yukon Territory, 1. At the close of that year four farms in Canada reported a total of 31,394 silver foxes, of which 21,365 were adults, valued at \$8,095,183, distributed thus: Prince Edward Island, 13,639; New Brunswick, 4,156; Ontario, 3,551; Quebec, 2,776; Nova Scotia, 1,507; Alberta, 1,715; Manitoba, 1,371; British Columbia, 585; Yukon Territory, 382, and Saskatchewan, 312. It is significant for the future of the industry that notwithstanding the increase in the number of farms and animals, the recent sales in Montreal showed the prices of silver fox pelts of best quality to have advanced 25 per cent. The total sales of the Canadian Fur Auction Sale Company at the September auctions reached \$1,500,000.

Reverting to the minister's report, it shows Canada to be particularly strong in muskrats, almost rivaling Russia and even Siberia. Exceptionally large muskrat ranches exist near Sydney, Cape Breton, and at Ladison, Saskatchewan. On the latter there are no fewer than two thousand breeding rats. It is claimed for this country that the muskrat skins produced here are the best in the world. They return between three and a half and four million dollars per annum. Muskrats multiply and thrive well in captivity; hence there is plenty of opportunity for further development. Mink also thrive in captivity. The skins are in good demand and command fair prices. Young mink find ready sale for breeding purposes. Chinchilla rabbits, although originated in France as late as twelve years ago, have already become extremely popular. They have been known in Canada for only two or three years, but the demand already exceeds the supply.

However, large importations are being made, and as there seems no fear of their decrease in popularity, further development of chinchilla breeding may be looked for. The little animals multiply rapidly and their skins are worth from two to six dollars apiece. Four liters a year averaging seven to eight each are the usual thing.

Says the minister's report: "Since it does not require much capital to start in a small way, and as women are quite as successful as men in raising them, it is reasonable to suppose that the breeding of chinchilla rabbits will become a factor of some moment in the fur industry."

To Protect Teachers

Attacked by unprovoked attacks upon teachers in rural schools, the Government of Manitoba has under consideration an amendment. Public Schools Act as a means of affording greater protection to women teachers. Hon. Charles Cunniff, minister of education, has announced.

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Wintered Largest Herd In Canada

Brandon Man Has Over 600 Pure-Bred Cattle On His Farm

Constituting what is considered the finest herd on the North American continent, 600 pure-bred Aberdeen Angus cattle have been wintered in the Brandon district by J. D. McGregor. It is the largest herd ever wintered by this well-known breeder, and certainly the largest number of cattle kept through the winter months in that district by a single owner.

The main herd is located at the Glenora farm situated just south of the city limits, but the cattle are spread over ten different farms within an area of these farms is a separate herd of breeding cows is maintained, varying from 49 up to 250 head kept on the Glenora farm. Wintering conditions have been ideal this year, and for that reason more than passing success is being met in success in the early events as an ever increasing popular sporting feature. It is proposed by H. I. Sutton, contractor, of Chicago, to immediately start in Northern Manitoba, somewhere in the locality of The Pas, a modern kennel farm for the better breeding and training of commercial and racing dogs.

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"Clan Donald" Colonists

One Hundred Cottages and One Hundred Farms to be Erected on C.P.R. at Vermilion, Alta.

One hundred cottages and one hundred farms will be erected for the Canadian Pacific Railway at Vermilion, Alberta. These homes will house the "Clan Donald" colonists, who are being brought to Alberta by the company's department of colonization and development, in conjunction with the British Government and the Scottish Immigrant Aid Society. The unique feature of these new buildings is that the lumber is grooved and once placed interlocks with another, so that no technical skill is required to erect the houses.

Our Export Trade

Canada Occupies Second Place in World in Value of Exports

Canadians at the present time are exporting their products to a hundred and forty countries and shipments to a hundred of these countries are substantial. Canada now occupies second place among the countries of the world in the value of exports per capita, as against seventh place in 1913. The Dominion was advanced from tenth to sixth place in the total value of export trade since 1913 and at the close of last year holds second place in percentage of increase in export trade.

Wants To Live Up World Believing this plant needs some life," Lee Novitsky, a stenographer who recently won \$500 in a contest, has donated the entire sum to the Jewish Community Centre for the purchase of bathing suits and Charleston dance rivals.

Some men escape the traps of others only to be caught in their own. Dry newspapers make good pillows for window, microfilm and ranges.

Canada's Rubber Trade

Largest Rubber Transmission Belts in the World Are Made in Canada

The largest rubber belts in the world, both conveyor and transmission, are made in Canada, stated A. B. Hannay, manager and secretary of the Rubber Association of Canada, in reviewing the activities of this industry for the past year. The value of Canadian belting exported was \$815,518. One million more automobile tires were made last year; half a million more were exported than during the preceding year; and the total manufacture of tires amounted to over three million. In addition three and a quarter million pairs of Canadian tennis shoes were exported in 1925 with a value of \$4,135,316.

Wheat Exports

Show Large Increases in Both Quantity and Value For 1925 Over Previous Year

Total wheat exported from Canada to all countries during the six months ended January 31st last, was 178,154,113 bushels, valued at \$23,172,540. During the corresponding period a year ago, total exports of Canadian wheat were 166,743,463 bushels, valued at \$14,893,190. Shipments of wheat to the United Kingdom in the period under review totalled 136,047,337 bushels, valued at \$19,816,234, a comparison with 75,367,469 bushels, worth \$13,255,620, in the same period of the preceding year.

Pure-Bred Stock

Not Now Necessary to Import Pure-Bred Sheep to Improve Stock in Canada

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association recently, H. S. Arkell, Dominion livestock commissioner, stated that the pure-bred sheep raised in Canada would stand comparison with sheep bred in any other country in the world. He commented upon the fact that it was now not thought necessary to import pure-bred stock from other countries for the improvement of the breed.

New Danish Air Service

A new Danish air service connecting Denmark and France will start on May 1. The service, which is via Boulogne, will leave Copenhagen at 5 a.m. and arrive in Paris at Bourget airmail at 5 p.m.

Investigate Quality Of Wheat

Wheat Milling and Baking Laboratory To be Established at Alberta University

Announcement is made that the establishment of complete equipment for a wheat milling and baking laboratory at the Alberta University, has been completed. The resources of this university laboratory will be devoted wholly to a research programme approved at a recent conference of chemists and agronomists from the three prairie universities, called by the National Research Council. The most important item of the programme under way at present is the investigation of the quality of wheat produced in different districts and of practical methods for its improvement.

To Erect New Canneries

Canning Industry in Northern British Columbia is in Flourishing Condition

Indications are that there will not be an idle cannery in the northern district of British Columbia this year and that a number of new canneries will be erected. In addition to those mentioned recently to be built at Queen Charlotte Island the erection of new canneries or re-opening or extension of existing ones, is planned at Captain's Cove, Prince Rupert, Mill Bay, Samerville and at the Kamoon cannery on the Bass River.

Build Large Saw Mill

A Million Dollar Plant to be Erected at Vancouver

Construction of a new mill at Vancouver at a cost of more than \$1,000,000, to have a capacity of 250,000 feet of lumber and 200,000 shingles, will be commenced at once, G. G. Johnson, general manager of the Capilano Timber Company, announced. A highway connecting the company's timber lands in the Capilano Valley, with the new mill, and a large wharf already under construction.

Has Confidence in World Court

Confidence in the fairness of the decisions of the world court and in the belief that the English-speaking nations will exert the most powerful influence for the reign of the law as against the reign of force, was expressed in an address by the British ambassador, Sir Esmé Howard, before the "English-speaking Union of Baltimore, Md."

United States Navy Plans For Great Aerial Dreadnaughts Bristling With Heavy Guns

Will Raise Muskats On Extensive Scale

Over 8,000 Acres at Swan Lake, B.C. Acquired For This Purpose

The largest muskrat farm in the world will be established at Swan Lake, forty miles northwest of Quesnel, B.C., according to J. B. McFarland, representative of the Muskrat Farms, Limited, of Vancouver. Late last fall his company acquired 8,159 acres of low-lying ground surrounding Swan Lake, also including the adjoining meadows and streams, already dotted with numerous muskrat and beaver houses, and which have given a fair living to a number of trappers for some years.

Mr. McFarland, who has had years of experience with animal life north of the Peace River, is going in to the property early, and will make arrangements for the location of the necessary buildings, and will also line up the right-of-way for the twenty-eight miles of wirenet fencing, which will be proceeded with as soon as weather conditions permit.

Canada's Egg Output

Total Value of Production For 1925 Placed at \$27,950,340

Canada's egg output during 1925 amounted to 224,775,567 dozen, valued at \$57,950,340, being the highest total in regard to quantity and value recorded since 1920 according to a report of the bureau of statistics. Production, together with value, by provinces was as follows: Prince Edward Island, 4,646,257 doz., \$890,183; Nova Scotia, 1,847,237 doz., \$350,792; New Brunswick, 4,156,745 doz., \$910,905; Quebec, 22,041,625 doz., \$5,250,823; Ontario, 83,695,287 doz., \$25,762,786; Manitoba, 14,129,482 doz., \$3,150,181; Saskatchewan, 23,692,268 doz., \$5,675,374; Alberta, 26,254,959 doz., \$5,638,511; British Columbia, 14,476,550 doz., \$4,653,411; Indian Reserves, 22,404 doz., \$55,125.

The trouble with a great many men is they are never satisfied with what they are doing.

United States navy plans for great dreadnaughts of the air, bristling with guns to ward off aeroplane attacks, underlie the action of the house naval committee, providing for construction of two 6,000,000 cubic foot rigid airships in the \$100,000,000 naval expansion programme it recently reported to the house.

A glimpse of matters that have been designed, given the committee by Rear-Admiral William Moffett, navy air chief, shows seven of the new seacraft machine guns, 18 thirty-caliber, and one of the postwar nine-pounder automatics, together with 9,700 rounds of ammunition for this weapon, as a part of the regular military load of each ship.

"The navy is so situated that any enemy aircraft cannot approach from any direction or angle without permitting a concentration of fire," Admiral Moffett says.

Instead of belching the air dreadnaughts will rely on the non-inflammability of helium gas for protection against hostile aeroplanes.

Plans for a 6,600,000 cubic footer drawn by a United States commercial concern, the navy officer said, had been calculated to show the value of such a ship as an aerial troop transporter. She would have a capacity of 750 men with their individual fighting equipment, he explained, and could take that force 500 miles at a speed of 35 miles an hour and still retain a 50 per cent. fuel reserve.

"To this air vessel," the admiral continued, "infused with 50 per cent. helium and 10 per cent. combustible gas, 500 men, each with 45 pounds of equipment, can be carried from San Francisco to Hawaii in 49 hours, with a 20-hour reserve of fuel."

"Forty fields of this capacity could move a division over this distance."

Settlers Coming From Britain

New Agreement Gives a Tremendous Stimulus to British Migration

As a result of the new immigration agreement between Canada and the United Kingdom, there has been a marked awakening of interest in this Dominion on the other side.

Cable advices show that hundreds of applications are being received in London from prospective settlers. Owing to the fact that the agreement applies only to farmers, farm laborers and domestics, a considerable number of the applications have to be rejected, but nevertheless, it is certain that there will be a tremendous increase in the volume of immigration this year.

The Ottawa department has had an inquiry made into statements made in the British House of Commons by Hon. C. L. Amery, secretary for the dominions, in which he quoted figures showing a very large percentage of rejections by the Canadian authorities.

The information received indicates that Mr. Amery's figures were not right.

The actual number of applications and rejections of families applying for admission into Canada as at January 31, 1925, were: Applications, 1,476; rejections, 264.

Final figures of the single men and women who have been rejected were not yet to hand.

Makes Good Windbreaks

Sunflowers Serve Good Purpose While Trees Are Growing

One of the benefits derived from the planting on the prairies is the protection afforded against drying winds in summer. A growth of caryophyllus or willow enables the farmer to produce all the ordinary vegetables and small fruits. While one is waiting for trees to grow a good shelter can be obtained by planting Russian sunflowers. Three rows of these with plants about six inches apart will check the winds of late summer when the effects of drought are most likely to be felt. The sunflowers need to be planted each year, but will serve a good purpose while a more permanent windbreak is coming on. Either as fodder or for the seeds they furnish the sunflowers are worth the trouble taken in growing them.

Wheat To Be Shipped West

Thirty million bushels of the 1925 winter crop will move from Vancouver for re-shipment during the present crop season, in the opinion of J. A. McGill, of the Vancouver harbor board. The total to date approximates 20,000,000 bushels.

Will Raise Muskats

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SPECIAL FEATURES ON C.N.R. BROADCASTS



Western Canadian broadcasting stations in the Canadian National Railway continent-wide radio chain in choice programmes to be given during March which are worthy of special mention. It is the aim of the company to set a high standard for radio broadcasting by all its stations and with this in view arrangements were made with some of the best musical talent in the Dominion to broadcast from C.N.R. stations in the west during the month of March.

The lower pictures show the famous Hart House String Quartet, of Toronto, composed of Greta de Krom, first violin; Harry Adankin, second violin; Milton Blackstone, viola; Boris Ham-burg, cello.

Inserts in the quartet group are Reginald Stewart, Canadian virtuoso pianist and conductor (left), of Toronto, and A. Leslie Garfield, baritone, of Winnipeg (right). Mr. Stewart is one of the outstanding pianists of Canada.

C.N.R.V., the first Canadian National broadcasting station opened in the west, celebrates its second anniversary on March 31st for which date a special programme has been arranged, including several novelty features for which prizes will be given, and an address by W. D. Robb, vice-president in charge of radio for the system. The top picture shows the handsome studio of C.N.R.V., situated in the Fort Garry Hotel, and Mr. Robb at the left.

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The Mirror Mail

Published every Wednesday at The Mirror Mail Office, Mirror, \$2.00 per year in Canada; \$2.50 to foreign countries. Payable in advance in all cases. J. Saywright, Editor and Pub.

Advertising Rates

Local advertising more than six months, 25c per inch per issue; R.O.P.; preferred position 30c per inch per issue; less than six months 35c per inch per issue; foreign advertising, plate matter 30c net for more than six months and 40c net for less; set matter 5c higher in each case. One insertion 50c per line. Professional cards \$20.00 per year, payable quarterly.

Lost and Found, 50c for first insertion, 25c each subsequent insertion.

All notices of meetings 15c and 10c; church organizations free except where a charge is made.

Legal and Municipal advertising 15c and 10c per line.

All advertising payable monthly with the exception of single insertions which are cash. All job work cash.

Wednesday, May 19, 1923

NO other class at the Edmonton Spring Live Stock Show attracted as much attention as the calf feeding class. In the beef section one hundred and one entries were made, and over ninety lined up before the judge. In the dairy section nineteen entries were made, and nearly all of these turned out. The calf feeding competition has been carried on for several years at Edmonton and has steadily increased in size and importance. It is now looked on as the main feature of the exhibition. The quality of calves exhibited also shows a very great improvement. It was stated by Dean Howes that the grand champion of the show in 1917 would be thrown out of the classes in 1923. This gives some idea of the rapid advance that has been made. The boys and girls are actually producing and exhibiting better animals than appeared in the open classes eight or nine years ago. This should offer some encouragement to who feel that the live stock industry is not progressing as rapidly as might be desired. The first prize this year was won by a yearling, white, short horn calf. He won the special prize of \$50 given by the Dominion Stock-horn Association. He was also awarded the Prince of Wales' challenge trophy, and later the calf was sold by auction for 61 cents per pound. Jas. Hunsay, 1214, being the purchaser. Some wonderful calves were exhibited, and they were paraded and displayed by their youthful owners with as much skill and confidence as might be expected from the veteran showmen. If any individual failed to stand well up in the class, it was not for lack of attention and careful preparation. While a few at the bottom of the class were not as good as others, it might be attributed more to lack of experience on the part of the boy or girl than anything else. The calf feeding competitions are not only demonstrating the suitability of this western country for the production of high quality cattle, but it is developing a real love for good animals among the boys and girls. It is giving them a new interest in farming and it is laying the foundation for the building up of more permanent and progressive agricultural methods.

The game and fur department of the Alberta government realized a revenue of \$2,500,000 from fees, licenses, etc., last year.

THE W. I. we understand has undertaken a task which we think should be backed up by the powers that be, and by all citizens directly interested, that of beautifying Mirror cemetery. Situated as it is on a main highway on which there is much travel, it certainly is at the present time an eye-sore and a black mark upon our citizens. Certainly our council and citizens cannot reasonably expect the institute to bear the whole burden, and we would suggest that the council take the matter in hand and create a reserve fund from the revenue obtained, and also appoint a committee to work in conjunction with the W. I. in the expenditure of this fund to the best advantage. Also that the town put a rebate tax on each lot to take care of the removal of any surplus earth, this tax to be refunded if the parties interested have it removed. At the present time it is disgraceful and conditions cannot be remedied too quickly.

Complaint has been made regarding the disturbance caused to the services in the United Church by the children on the playground opposite. We trust that parents will see that their children abstain from the use of the grounds during this hour.

Notice to Claimants and Creditors
In the Estate of Henry Bennett Late of the Village of Mirror, in the Province of Alberta, Farmer, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the above named Henry Bennett, who died on the 20th day of May, A.D. 1923, are required to file with E. M. Robertson by the 24th day of June 1923 a full statement duly certified of their claims and of any securities held by them, and that after that date the executors will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or which have been brought to their knowledge.

Dated this 10th day of May, A.D. 1923.

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Around the Town

A. N. Janget was a business visitor to Calgary last week.

Erakine plans a big baseball tournament on May 24th.

Mrs. Rowden and children have returned from a trip to the Old Country.

The W. A. of St. Monica's will meet at the home of Mrs. Thos. Slife on Thursday at 2.30.

Mrs. K. F. McNair entertained a number of children on Friday evening at a birthday party in honor of her two sons.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Norton returned on Saturday from an extended to U.S. and Ontario points.

Mr. J. Kehoe arrived home from Camrose hospital last week. Jack's many friends are pleased to see him making such a rapid recovery.

H. J. Snell Sight Specialist, will be at the Imperial Hotel, Mirror, on Wednesday June 16, and every third Wednesday of each month.

The Mirror Ladies Aid will hold a sale of fancy and useful articles at the Library building on Saturday afternoon, May 22, from 3 to 6 p.m. Tea will also be served and home-baking sold. Everybody come.

A genuine surprise party was held at the home of Mrs. H. G. Williams last week in honor of her birthday, when about twenty of her friends visited her. The evening was spent in cards and music, at the conclusion of which a dainty lunch was partaken of.

The Merry Bachelors put on one of their ever-popular light fantasies on Friday evening. Despite the inclemency of the weather a fair crowd turned out and all enjoyed themselves to the utmost. Bullivant's orchestra supplied the music and the members of the Eastern Star provided lunch.

The local lodge of Elks is putting on a monster celebration in Mirror on July 1st. Plans are under way for the biggest big day in the history of Mirror. Events attractive to father, son, mother and daughter will be staged. The Bills are noted entertainers, but their past reputations will fade into insignificance on the 1st of July after this event. More will be known next week, but keep the date open. Jim Purcell promises to be a feather, D. M. Jewett says good crops and Doc MacLennan says temperature normal. SO COME TO MIRROR'S BIG DAY.

Women's Meetings

The W. I. meet the 1st Saturday in every month.

Ladies Aid 2nd Thursday in each month.

United Church Sunday School executive 2nd Monday.

W. A. 3rd Thursday of each month.

Ripley Ladies Aid meets 3rd Thursday of each month.

Lake Bend Community Club last Wednesday of each month.

The Churches

Sunday, May 16th
Union Church

Minister, Rev. E. G. Wood, L.A.
11 a.m.—Sunday School
2.30—Lake Bend.
7.30 p.m.—Mirror

Tuxis Square, Monday 8 p.m.; C. G. I. T., Wed. 7 p.m.; Trail Rangers 7 p.m.; Beavers, Saturday 10 a.m.

Anglican Church

Rev. G. Morgan, Rector

Mirror—11 a.m., Holy Communion.
Bashaw—Evening 7.30 p.m.

Death of Mr. J. Hill

After an illness of some duration, Mr. John Hill, an old-timer of the Alix district passed away at his home northeast of town early on Thursday morning at the age of 71 years. The funeral took place on Friday at the Alix cemetery at 2 o'clock p.m. — Alix Free Press.

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Buffalo Herds Grow Beyond Accommodation

A Few of the Superbison Buffalo

TO nearly all Canadians the news that the buffalo, which we have been accustomed to regard as nearly extinct, have recently so increased as to necessitate the slaughter of a herd of 2,000 at the Canadian Buffalo Park, Wainwright, Alberta, will come as a very pleasant surprise. The mere existence of this surplus definitely announces that, though we will never see a large wild herd again, we yet may hope to see the prairie repopulated with numbers of buffalo, and that this magnificent animal, monarch of the Plains, will be always with us.

The buffalo were in their glory when the construction of the first American transcontinental railroad was begun in 1862. Herds of fifty thousand head were then common on the western plains of this continent as far south as Utah and as far north as Hudson's Bay, and as many as 100,000 robes were marketed annually. So easily were these obtained that whiskey-traders could purchase a robe for one cup of liquor. In 1874 the North-West Mounted Police, on trek for the Rockies, saw several immense herds notably near the Sweet Grass Hills, when the force marched all day through a herd of 60,000 which blackened the horizon. This romantic scene, so vividly contrasting the wilderness and its denizens with the advancing representatives of civilization, is surely a fit subject for artists and poets.

The work of destruction, once launched, proceeded so rapidly that by 1880 only vast quantities of buffalo bones and skulls remained to show that the great herds had ever been. The mighty half-breed hunter had fallen to collecting these skulls and bones just factories of the United States. It is worthy of note that the first eastbound freight run by the Canadian Pacific Railway was loaded with such relics.

The present encouraging state of affairs is due to the foresight of the Canadian Government, which, in 1907, purchased a small herd of buffalo in Montana and brought it over the border to form the nucleus of the dubu herd now at Wainwright. To this wise purchase we owe the fact that the buffalo has not become merely a heraldic beast as extinct as the unicorn or the dodo.